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TAGS: AEMR PINS VS

SUBJECT: AMERICAN BANK CLOSINGS

REF: SAIGON 4270 AND 4327

1. THE BANK OFFICIAL WHO APPROACHED THE DEPARTMENT DID NOT CONSULT THE DEPARTMENT ON TRANSFERRING US BRANCH BANK OPERATIONS TO VIETNAMESE MANAGEMENT, BUT INFORMED THE DEPARTMENT AFTER THE CHARTER AIRCRAFT WAS ALREADY EN ROUTE TO SAIGON. THE DEPARTMENT DID NOT UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES INSIST THAT THE BANK STOP THE FLIGHTS. REQUEST FOR EMBASSY ASSISTANCE TO AMERICAN BANK OFFICIALS THRU STATE DEPT CABLES RESULTED FROM BREAKDOWN OR OVERLOAD OF COMMERCIAL TELEPHONE COMMUNICATIONS.

2. SINCE THE BANK PERSONNEL HAVE ALREADY DEPARTED AND SINCE THE REACTION IN SAIGON DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE
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UNMANAGEABLE, WE DO NOT BELIEVE THE MATTER SHOULD BE

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